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4th Fighter Wing

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Seymour Johnson AFB, Goldsboro, N.C.

# SJ loses two valued team members

Wright Times Staff Report

The weekend brought the tragic loss of two 4th Fighter Wing members: Staff Sgt. Elizabeth Johnson and Airman 1st Class Dustin Cichon, both 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron. The Airmen died in a related incident.

"The 4th Fighter Wing is a family, and like a family, losing two young teammates so suddenly is a loss that we all feel," said Col. Mike Holmes, 4th FW commander.

Sergeant Johnson, a 22-year-old Ohio native, died from injuries sus-

tained in a motorcycle accident in Goldsboro.

She was assigned to the 4th EMS where she meticulously maintained all auditable munitions transaction documents and was recently selected for promotion to Staff Sergeant.

"Michelle, as her friends called her, was a proud mother who was vibrant, outspoken, energetic, fun loving and outgoing," said Master Sgt. Douglas Broussard, her NCO-in-charge. "She was active in the community and always willing to lend a helping hand. She wasn't afraid of any challenge and was a

friend to everyone she met. She will be deeply missed by all of her friends and coworkers in the ammo community."

Sergeant Johnson began her Air Force career assigned to the 3rd Equipment Maintenance Squadron at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, where she worked in both the munitions support equipment and munitions accountability elements.

After that, she came to Seymour Johnson in September 2004.

She is survived by her husband

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Staff Sgt.  
Elizabeth Johnson



Airman 1st Class  
Dustin Cichon

## Force shaping board con- venes in '06

By Master Sgt.  
Mitch Gettle  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON - A force-shaping board will convene in 2006 and continue to meet annually to properly shape the officer corps to meet emerging Air Force needs.

Instituted by the Air Force, the board will be a regular aspect of force management and development in the future.

Authorized by the Secretary of the Air Force, the board convenes at the Air Force Personnel Center at Randolph Air Force Base in April.

Force-shaping efforts started in 2004 and evolved in an effort to meet congressionally mandated fiscal year end strength requirements and maintain a balanced force.

"The force-shaping board is another aspect of our force management and development," said Brig. Gen. Glenn Spears, Air Force director of force management policy. "We must have a balanced force of officers and enlisted Airmen to meet the missions of today and tomorrow."

The Air Force began fiscal year 2006 with a force imbalance. It was under strength by approximately 6,000 enlisted and over strength by approximately 3,000 officers.

A current excess of nearly 4,000 officers -- primarily from the 2000 to 2004 commission-

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## UP-FRONT FOCUS | *NDI tech*



Airman 1st Class Dominic Kuiper / WT

**Warren Schappell soaks a gear-box drive shaft with a fluorescent particle solution. Any cracks or imperfections will collect the particles and be visible under a black-light.**

By 1st Lt.  
Devin  
Robinson  
Public Affairs

The young Airman in her early twenties sat forward in her chair and contemplated the interviewers question for a second before answering.

"Well, my first choice for a career field was something medical related, but I ended up here," she said. "I mean, I've learned a lot, but I've been here for more

# NDI tech reaches 49

## From an Airman to a civil service employee, one NDI tech has seen it all

than two years and I will be excited to cross train soon."

Two years in a job one doesn't enjoy can seem like an eternity, so I found myself sympathizing with her as the interview ended and she left the room. My sympathy was not long lived, how-

ever, as the next interviewee shuffled into the room and carefully lowered himself into the chair.

"My name is retired Senior Master Sgt. Warren Schappell," he said, "and I have been an Air Force employee for more than

49 years."

The interviewer sat forward in his chair at the revelation of

this information. With a little gentle prodding, more information began to surface about a career

that spanned five continents and five decades.

Many young people in the military today can trace their initial journey into the armed forces

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## 4FW CC has new shadow

By 1st Lt. Tammie Adams  
Public Affairs

A new program is on deck at Seymour Johnson called the Shadow Program, which involves junior NCOs, lieutenants and the 4th Fighter Wing Commander, Col. Mike Holmes.

Every other Thursday, a junior NCO or lieutenant will accompany Col. Holmes throughout his entire work day, from beginning to end.

"Colonel Holmes' intent for the new Shadow Program is to enlighten and mentor these Airmen," said Maj. Linda Muzquiz, 4th Fighter Wing executive officer. "His vision is for the Airmen to share what they learn with their coworkers and subordinates. The Shadow Program participants will have the opportunity to see a perspective of wing operations that they'd otherwise never see."

Staff Sgt. Luther Holsonback, 4th Logistics Readiness Squadron, was the first Seymour Airman to go through the program Oct. 13.

"Everywhere he went, I went," Sgt. Holsonback said. "I got to see what the wing commander experiences on a daily basis. I definitely noticed that his people are a priority and he has them in mind during every decision he makes."

The day began around 7 a.m. and went to about 5:30 p.m. Some of the rounds included a trip to the aircraft maintenance

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Airman Shane Dunaway / WT

(Left to right) Ben Kenney, contractor; Audra Leebert, wife of Staff Sgt. David Leebert; Col. Mike Holmes, 4th Fighter Wing commander; and Lt. Col. Lowell Nelson, 4th Civil Engineer commander, cut the ribbon in front of the new housing unit on Chanute Road Oct. 14.

## Newest phase of housing initiative opens

By 1st Lt. Devin Robinson  
Public Affairs

A Seymour Johnson family was handed the keys to their brand new house Oct. 14 at a special ceremony to commemorate phase six of the military family housing initiative.

For the family of deployed Staff Sgt. David Leebert this was a brand new home, but to the 4th Civil Engineer Squadron this was the first new house of the new construction phase.

"There will be ten total phases," said Bob Hankins, chief of construction management for housing. "It's great to be over half done, but the last couple of phases will be the largest."

According to Mr. Hankins, phase six con-

sists of the demolition and reconstruction of more than 115 new homes in the Chanute Road area of Berkeley Village, but these houses are just a small portion of the total program.

"When we started this program we were planning to have to build 1,285 houses," Mr. Hankins said. "The final tally, however, will be right around 900 homes."

With fewer homes to replace, there will be more area in housing for what Mr. Hankins calls "green space".

"With the change in the number of houses, we were able to fit a 17-acre park in the center of Berkeley Village," he said. "We were also able to lay the streets out better. The days of getting lost on miles of twisting streets in family housing will soon be past."

Another benefit of the new housing is adaptability. More than 30 of the houses built in phase six will be slab-on-grade homes that are easily adaptable to accommodate handicapped family members.

"These are state-of-the-art units with new appliances and oak cabinetry," Mr. Hankins said. "These houses are comparable in size to off-base houses and are better quality."

Audra Leebert, Staff Sgt. Leebert's wife, had nothing but good things to say about the new house.

"I love it; they did a fantastic job," Mrs. Leebert said. "I was a little nervous with my husband being deployed, but the people from housing were there every step of the way and made it a really easy and enjoyable transition."

## Weekend weather

Saturday

Mostly  
Cloudy

High: 75  
Low: 55

Sunday

Mostly  
Cloudy

High: 72  
Low: 48



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# A safe place to be unsafe

By 1st Lt. Devin T. Robinson  
Public Affairs

How many times have you been on the highway and heard the high-pitched whine of a precision-tuned sport motorcycle approaching from behind you? The two-wheeled monster doesn't even seem to slow as it tears past you carving sharp S curves on the pavement while snaking in and out of the traffic ahead of you at more than twice the legal speed limit. This type of breakneck riding is enough to raise the adrenaline of even the most jaded bystander.

Another story unfortunately plays itself out a little more like this. A group of servicemembers get together at an off-base house. When the alcohol runs low, a group decides to take their motorcycles to pick up some more. They jump on their bikes and speed off without helmets or protective gear. Pretty soon they start testing the limits of their racing bikes and push the limits of the roads. One driver loses control of his bike and crashes. Maybe through luck or skill he manages to survive, but maybe his passenger isn't so lucky.

To quote my father, "Motorcycles are very dangerous." To quote just about anyone that has ever ridden a motorcycle, "Motorcycles are really fun!" Motorcycles are both.

A rider's first line of defense when riding is his protective gear, but some riders actually try to argue against wearing protective clothing.

They say it's too uncomfortable. They don't see the value in it.

This could not be further from the truth. Advances in protective clothing are being made all the time, and with new technology, the clothing is also more comfortable.

According to the North Carolina Motorcycle Safety Program, new protective clothing will help riders stay comfortable while riding in adverse conditions, and in case of an accident or spill, high-quality riding clothes will help prevent or reduce injury.

In University of Southern California researcher Harry Hurt's federally-funded study, "Motorcycle Accident Cause Factors and Identification of Countermeasures," he states that covering the body with leather or another thick material can provide "an extremely high level of injury protection."

It's these protective materials that will protect your skin should you be forced to slide on pavement at high speeds.

Another important protective device is the helmet. According to the NCMSPP Web site, a helmet actually makes riding more comfortable. A helmet cuts down on wind noise roaring by your ears and windblast on your face and eyes. It deflects bugs and other objects that fly through the air.

Many riders would take issue with this last bit of information. They would argue that they have better range of vision without a helmet.

Besides, they argue, "I want to feel the wind in my hair."

Mr. Hurt says the single most important piece of protective gear you can wear is a helmet. His in-depth, on-scene investigation was performed to detail the use of helmets and protective clothing in 900 motorcycles accidents.

Additionally, Mr. Hurt and staff analyzed 3,600 police reports on motorcycle traffic accidents. This and other research has established that helmets save lives by reducing head injuries. And it has been shown that wearing a helmet doesn't reduce essential vision or hearing.

In the recent mandatory commander's call for motorcycle riders, several sport bike riders stood up during the question and suggestion portion and voiced a desire for the base to provide an outlet for individuals who want to ride their motorcycles really fast. The safety officer amicably said that they would look into it.

Airman after Airman stood up and advocated a policy that was more appeasement than education. The truth is, there is no safe way or place to ride a motorcycle at hundreds of miles an hour.

As I write this, I am reminded of a story my former boss told me one evening over dinner. He told me that he read a book in which television news anchorman Dan Rather told the

following story.

"I had someone at the Houston police station shoot me with heroin so I could do a story about it. The experience was a special kind of hell. I came out understanding full well how one could be addicted to 'smack,' and quickly."

This statement begs the question, "Is it ok to do dangerous things in a so-called 'safe' environment?" I would say no.

Many motorcycle riders talk of riding their bikes in a fast and dangerous manner as their "passion" and something that was "in their blood." There are jails full of people that had a passion for doing something that was wrong. Should we therefore provide a "safe" outlet for these individuals? Again, the answer must be no.

If sport bike riders are allowed to race their bikes on a controlled track, how will they get home? They will ride their bikes home and will probably do so with an even further inflated sense of superiority.

Motorcycles aren't completely safe, but the odds of survival increase exponentially if riders obey all traffic laws, especially the posted speed limit, and use common sense.

Ride your motorcycle. Ride far and wide. Ride off into the sunset with the open road pouring out before you. Just do it with a little common sense.

## Honor comes to those who serve

By Capt.  
Kevin Tuttle  
45th Space Wing Public Affairs

*PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla.* - Many of you have probably heard of the death of Airman 1st Class Elizabeth Jacobson. She was the first female Airman to die in the line of fire supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, and the first Air Force security forces member to perish. She was only 21 years old.

Airman Jacobson died while providing convoy security near Camp Bucca, Iraq. An improvised explosive hit the vehicle in which she was riding Sept. 28. She was assigned to the 17th Security Forces Squadron at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas

I had the honor of being her family's liaison to the news media Oct. 9 at her funeral, since her hometown was in nearby Riviera Beach. In addition to phone calls before the funeral, I got to spend about 45 minutes with Airman Jacobson's father, mother and stepmother.

This was probably the hardest thing I've ever had to do in my life. What do you say to someone who has just lost a child? How does one sympathize without being able to empathize? I had never been to a funeral because I had never had anyone close to me pass away.

So I knew working with the family would be emotionally very difficult for me. I cannot imagine the sorrow parents must feel after losing their child.

Arriving at the funeral home near Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., the magnitude of the situation hit hard. I didn't feel worthy to console the family because finding words was so difficult.

However, something happened when I walked in to meet the parents. They were so thankful to have Air Force members at the funeral, including Col. Scott Bethel, commander of the 17th Training Wing at Goodfellow; Maj. Kenneth O'Neil, 17th SFS commander; and Chaplain (Maj.) Peggy Wilkins and the honor guard from Patrick.

David Jacobson, Airman Jacobson's father, told us stories about Elizabeth. He spoke of her love of the Air Force and her security forces duties, her desire to be a

chief master sergeant someday, and the way she always volunteered to do the jobs no one else wanted. The fateful convoy mission was one such duty she had tried to get for a long time, rather than be in the guard tower where it was relatively safe.

The part that was so surprising to me was the outpouring of support her family bestowed on the military members for the jobs we all have to do to protect this nation. There were no sentiments of bitterness or anger toward the military.

"People don't understand that if we don't win the war in Iraq, the United States will not exist," Mr. Jacobson said. "Elizabeth liked being a troop and was so proud. She made the ultimate sacrifice for our nation and the cause of freedom."

I felt rushes of humility and pride as they laid her to rest with all her mourners around her -- seeing our honor guard perform the ceremony, hearing "Taps" and hearing and feeling the flyover of two T-38 Talon aircraft.

I have never been as proud to be a member of the Air Force as I was that Sunday.

It made me realize that even though some of us haven't deployed, haven't directly supported Operation Iraqi Freedom or the global war on terrorism, we all play a vital role to protect the citizens of the United States.

We just have to do our jobs with honor and with the love that Airman Jacobson showed for her job -- and that her family showed for her and all of us who wear the uniform.



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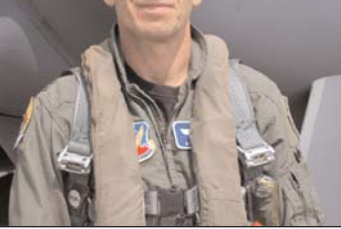
Seymour Johnson's Action Line is brought to the base by 4th Fighter Wing Commander, Col. Mike Holmes

It provides a communication channel for people to obtain information and assistance in making Seymour a better place to live and work.

The colonel asks that before calling the Action Line, people try to resolve their particular problem with the responsible base agencies listed here:

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Chaplain	722-0315	AFOSI	722-1220
Civil engineering	722-5139	Public Affairs	722-0027
Civilian pay	722-5358	Safety	722-4093
Commissary	722-0321	Security forces	722-0121
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Housing maintenance	736-7021	Travel pay	722-5362
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## Seymour celebrates another year at the ball

By Airman  
Shane Dunaway  
Public Affairs

Approximately 397 Team Seymour members were in attendance for the 2005 Air Force Ball Saturday at the enlisted club.

"This is the fourth Air Force Ball I've attended," said Henry Smith, Military Affairs Committee member. "Everyone does a great job organizing the Air Force Ball, from the committee in charge to the people who run the enlisted club. The location of the ball works out for everyone who attends."

The ball was organized by Capt. Gayle Peters, 4th Communications Support

Flight commander.

"I've put together formal events since I was a cadet," Capt. Peters said. "This one was just on a much larger scale."

Highlights of the Air Force Ball included the warrior table, cake-cutting ceremony and a performance by the Blue Aces.

According to Capt. Peters, her goal for the ball was to make it a fun event for every rank to enjoy.

"This is the first Air Force Ball for my wife and I," said Airman 1st Class Donnie Leniger, 4th Civil Engineer Squadron. "I thoroughly enjoyed the nice, formal atmosphere."



The Air Force Blue Aces perform in the 2005 Air Force Ball held at the enlisted club ballroom. The Air Force Ball is held annually to celebrate the Air Force's birthday.

Airman 1st Class Dominic Kuiper / WT



Airman 1st Class Dominic Kuiper / WT

(Above Right) A gear-box drive shaft is fitted with a central bar conductor in preparation for magnetic inspection. (Above) Mr. Schappell examines an X-ray print-out of an F-15E flap. The honeycomb cells in the flap have become saturated with water, in this case the flap must be replaced. (Below) Jet-engine oil samples are tested periodically for wear metals



Airman 1st Class Dominic Kuiper / WT

## NDI: Inspection tech reaches 49 years of service

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from a specific event -- a singular act of terrorism that changed America as we know it one morning in September. For Mr. Schappell, it was a different conflict with a similar capacity for nation-change that affected his young life on a cold December morning over 60 years ago.

"I remember I was in first grade when it [Pearl Harbor] happened. Everything changed after that," Mr. Schappell said quietly. "I don't remember everything, but I do remember the effect it had on the country. Families had to tighten the belt quite a bit to support the war effort."

He paused for a moment as he recalled events more than six decades old.

"Everything was rationed. Tires, butter, sugar and lot of other stuff," he said. "It forced families to be more reliant on the farm, their community and the land. Those were tight times."

When Mr. Schappell turned 18 in 1956, he followed his life-long love of aviation to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, for basic military training. Without missing a beat, he rattled off his statistics.

"My first AFSC was 43151E, an aircraft engine mechanic, and I was assigned to Loring AFB, Maine," he said. "I arrived there at the exact same time as the first KC-135s. In fact, they were so new, those of us slated to maintain them had to attend an initial training at the Boeing Factory School in Seattle before heading to Maine."

Loring turned out to be one of Mr. Schappell's favorite assignments, but not for the money.

"In those days, I only made about \$96 a month, so I picked potatoes on the side to make a little extra money," Mr. Schappell said.

Even though at Loring he was further north than he had ever been, he had to go further north to meet his future wife.

"I was at a friend's wedding in Canada, and I met this Canadian high school senior," he said. "She took me to her senior prom at Plaster Rock High School, New Brunswick, and we got married two years later."

While at Loring, Mr. Schappell's path crossed with an Air Force legend in chilly fashion.

"In May of 1958, I got selected to fly an inspection mission up to Thule Air Base, Greenland, and I wasn't too thrilled about the mission until I found out that our pilot would be Gen. Curtis LeMay, then Strategic Air Command commander," he said. "When we left northern Maine it was 28 degrees, and when we arrived in Greenland, it was 30 degrees below zero! It was quite a shock to the system."

His adventures in the great white north continued the following year when SAC decided to do some much needed runway repairs at Loring.

"In 1959, Loring had 45 B-52s and 30 KC-135s, and they all had to be evacuated in order to repair the runways," Mr. Schappell said. "The base commander decided to send the B-52s to Raimsey AFB, Puerto Rico, for some fun in the sun while the KC-135s and I were sent to Goosebay, Labradore, Canada. I may have been cold, but it was a really great experience."

Mr. Schappell's career path finally brought him to the non-destructive inspection shop at Seymour Johnson in August of 1982. He finished out his active duty career here and retired at the rank of senior master sergeant in 1985, but after a short vacation, he returned to the NDI shop and became the lone civilian.

Even with more than 49 years combined federal service under his belt, Mr. Schappell doesn't plan on slowing down anytime soon.

"I figure I'll retire sometime in the next few years," he said. "I've seen a lot of the world, but I guess when I retire I'll take some time to do some traveling and maybe spend some more time with my grandchildren."

Travel and relaxation will be definitely long overdue when he finally does retire with more than half a century of service to his country.

"I guess the curse of every generation is that they don't realize they're living history," Mr. Schappell said. "Later, as they look back over their lives, they'll realize, 'Hey, I lived through this or that, I experienced it,' and they'll wish they could go back."

To paraphrase George Bernard Shaw, "Youth is truly wasted on the young."





NEWS

BRIEFS

**Settlement of estate**

Colonel Mike Holmes, 4th Fighter Wing commander, regretfully announces the death of Staff Sgt. Elizabeth Johnson, 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to the estate of Sgt. Johnson should contact 1st Lt. Judy Allen, summary court officer, at 722-3684.

**Settlement of estate**

Colonel Mike Holmes, 4th Fighter Wing commander, regretfully announces the death of Airman 1st Class Dustin Cichon, 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to the estate of Airman Cichon should contact 1st Lt. Matthew Robey, summary court officer, at 722-2535.

**Blood drive**

The community center hosts a blood drive today from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Participants receive a coupon for a free car wash and a can koozie. For more information, call 735-7201.

**Finance office closed**

The 4th Comptroller Squadron will be closed today for an official function.

**Airman's Attic**

The Airman's Attic is open Mondays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations can be made anytime by leaving bagged or boxed items in the bin on the side of the building. In addition, the Attic will be open to all ranks Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 722-1123.

**Thrift shop open**

The thrift shop opens Monday from 4-7 p.m. Also, the thrift shop will open every other month on the second and fourth Monday. New volunteers are always welcome. For more information, call 759-9596.

**Finance office closed**

The base finance office is closed Oct. 28 at 3 p.m. for an official function.

**Security measures increase**

Pass codes for the recreational vehicle lot become obsolete

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**Police Beat**

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*This section of the Wright Times features excerpts from the 4th Security Forces Squadron blotter.*

**On-base incidents:**

- ♦ An Airman was apprehended for failure to obey a lawful order after altering his vehicle registration and attempting to obtain an installation entry decal.
- ♦ Patrols responded to a verbal altercation in family housing. The incident occurred after one Airman bought a car from another and then attempted to return the vehicle a few days later. The Airman who purchased the car was cited for displaying false plates and driving on a suspended license. The individuals' first sergeant took control of the situation.
- ♦ Patrols responded to a disturbance in family housing after an individual's estranged boyfriend came to the residence. The individual was issued a lawful order to not return unless escorted by the unit commander or first sergeant.

If anyone has any information regarding a crime, call Crimestoppers at 722-7867.

**Accidents:**

- ♦ A government owned vehicle was backing at the corner of Chanute Road and Vermont Garrison Street and struck a privately owned vehicle. The driver of the GOV stated they did not see the other vehicle.
- ♦ An individual backed into a parked car when attempting to exit their driveway in family housing.
- ♦ An individual backed a GOV into a POV at the combat arms training range.

**Off-base arrests:**

- ♦ An Airman was arrested in Greenville for driving while intoxicated. The individual was taken to Pitt County Jail and held on a \$1,000 secured bond.

**Citations:**

- ♦ Citations were issued for the following violations: two for failure to display current registration, three for inattentive backing, one for operating a vehicle without a license, one for failure to stop, one for unauthorized parking, one for failure to yield right of way and two for speeding.

Days since the 4th Fighter Wing's last DUI:

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As of Oct. 19

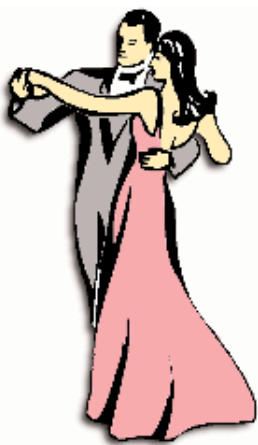
Once the 4th FW reaches 60 days without a DUI, the wing receives half of a down day, 75 earns a full down day. Don't be the one who ruins a day off for everyone. Don't drink and drive - call AADD at 722-3333.

Information provided by the 4th Security Forces Squadron

## It's electric!

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Slow  
Soul  
Square  
Swing  
Tango  
Twist  
Waltz

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## In the spotlight

### Airman Greg Biondo

**Hometown:**  
New Bern, N.C.

**Job title:** Base photo-  
grapher

**Most life-changing experience:**  
Joining the Air Force

**Hobbies:** Photography,  
working on cars and mud-  
ding

**Favorite quote:** "Anyone who shoots a weapon  
at an enemy is called brave, but stand toe-to-toe  
and shoot them with a camera and they call you  
crazy"

**What's your biggest fear?** Drowning

**What did you do before joining the Air  
Force?** Graduated high school



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# SHAPE: AF to downsize

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ing years -- make worse the imbalance and has a long-range impact on the effective development of the officer corps and the ability to access sustainable numbers of enlisted Airmen. Despite an aggressive voluntary force-shaping campaign, the Air Force has not achieved the balance of officer to enlisted Airmen through existing voluntary means.

Congress recently gave each service secretary increased authority to proactively manage their junior officer corps through force-shaping efforts.

"The Air Force values the service and sacrifice of all Airmen who volunteer to serve, and separating officers is a difficult decision that we do not take lightly," Gen. Spears said. "This first force-shaping process will 'select-in' approximately 7,800 line officers commissioned in 2002

and 2003 to continue to serve in our active Air Force."

Eligible officers may continue to apply for voluntary separation until March 1, 2006 using the force-shaping initiatives already approved.

Subsequent boards will consider officers commissioned three years earlier. For example, the 2007 board will evaluate officers commissioned in 2004.

"We value the service of all our Airmen," Gen. Spears said. "Voluntary force-shaping initiatives and the force-shaping board are key aspects of our force management and development.

"Our Airmen have many opportunities to serve -- in the Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard, as Air Force civilians or in the Army," the general said. "We encourage Airmen in the affected year groups to pursue those opportunities to continue service to our great nation."

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# Commissary check-cashing changes

By 1st Lt. Tammie Adams  
Public Affairs

All commissary shoppers should be aware of a new returned-check management program, or RCM, effective Oct. 14 for all stores that fall under the Defense Commissary Agency.

The new returned-check processing won't affect the way customers write checks, but it'll reduce the number of paper checks returned to commissaries for insufficient funds, according to Nellie Ingram, customer service manager. The process will allow store employees to devote more time to customer service.

Under the previous program, if a customer wrote a bad check, the checks were routed back to the commissary for collection; now the checks are routed to a centralized processing site.

"Once we make the weekly deposit, we won't even know if a check is returned," Mrs. Ingram said. "It's in the central processing center's hands."

When a check is written, the customer's account will be debited for the face value of the check. If the account has insufficient funds to process the check, the processing center will attempt to debit the account a second time. If the amount is not able to be processed the second time because of insufficient funds, then the check goes to the defense finance and accounting service, or DFAS. DFAS charges a \$25 administrative fee and a \$15 servicing fee, for a total of \$40.

"Customers won't realize they've been charged until they see their bank statement," Mrs. Ingram said. "We want our customers to be careful and keep a close track of their checks."

If customers wrote bad checks under the old system, they were immediately charged \$25. The major difference is the old system allowed customers to then follow a commissary payment plan, which was made so customers didn't have to pay the whole check amount at once.

"Now, customers have two chances before being charged for a bad check, but they'll be charged a larger fee and won't have the luxury of a payment plan," Mrs. Ingram said. "Now, the whole amount of the check, plus \$40 per check, will be debited from their account if a bad check goes to DFAS."

Any checks written to the commissary before Oct. 14 will be treated under the old system. Any checks written after that will fall under the new one.

For more information, call 722-0321.



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# SHADOW: CC adds mentorship

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units, various briefings around base, lunch at the Three Eagles Golf Course and then the weekly wing staff meeting.

"It's amazing how much goes through the wing staff office," Sgt. Holsonback said. "I got to see how Col. Holmes really does touch every aspect of the base. Actually, it's broader than the base because he makes decisions about the community as well."

Overall, Sgt. Holsonback was pleasantly overwhelmed at the end of the day. He couldn't express enough how beneficial the program was to him.

"I got to see firsthand information about problems and issues being worked on base," he said. "Now, I can go back to my squadron and inform people about the different knowledge I learned. I usually see management at the flight level, but today it was beneficial to get to see it at the wing level."

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# BRIEFS: News

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by the month's end. Patrons who wish to use or continue to use the RV lot should visit the outdoor recreation center before Oct. 30 to complete eligibility verification and obtain a new pass code. For more information, call 722-1104.

## Harvest festival

The base chapel sponsors a harvest festival Oct. 31 from 6-8 p.m. at the hospital soccer field. There are activities and games for everyone. Hot dogs, chips, drinks and other refreshments are available as well. A costume parade takes place at 7:30 p.m. with prizes to be given to the winners. For more information, call 722-0315.

## Base calls change

In accordance with AFI 33-111, effective Nov. 5, all on-base calls will require the entire seven-digit phone number to be dialed when calling other on-base personnel (722-XXXX). The five-digit dialing will no longer be considered a valid call from that date forward. For more information, call 722-7304.

## Surveying the climate

The Air Force conducts an online climate survey until Nov. 23. Airmen and civilians can participate in the survey. To take part in the survey, go to <https://afclimatesurvey.af.mil>.

## Linen exchange moved

The linen exchange is now located on the first floor of Bldg. 3616, facing the bowling alley. For more information, call 722-0149.

## Calling 911 on base

To call 911 while on base, dial 911 if calling from a landline, or 722-0911 if calling from a cellular phone. Provide the 911 operator location, phone number, type of emergency and victim's condition and age.

## Base telephone numbers

The 4th Communications Squadron reminds everyone to contact the base operator if phone numbers within their organizations change. This will help them properly transfer calls. For more information, call 722-1110.

## Bricks build foundation

The Kitty Hawk Daedalians offers individuals currently or formerly assigned to Seymour Johnson the opportunity to purchase an inscribed brick for \$40. Inscribed bricks will be placed near the fountain located in the 4th Fighter Wing Heritage Park. Bricks are 4 inches by 8 inches, with two to three lines etched with a 13-character maximum per line. For more information, call 722-4337.

## Child care available

Registration packages for before- and after-school care are now available at the youth center. For more information, call 722-0397.

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# 4th LRS upsets second place 4th AMXS 16-13

By Airman Shane Dunaway  
Public Affairs

The 4th Logistics Readiness Squadron stole a victory from the 4th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 16-13, in intense flag football action Oct. 13 at the gym field.

"Both teams were aggressive and hungry for the win," said Damien Miller, LRS coach. "We were fortunate to come out with the win. The team fought hard and made the plays we needed to pull out a victory."

The triumph by LRS improved their record to 9-5 and dropped AMXS to 11-5, tying them for second place in the season standings.

At the start of the first half, Marvin Poindexter, LRS running back, punched the ball in from one yard out to put LRS on the board after a four-play drive highlighted by a scintillating 35-yard scamper by quarterback Matt Valliere.

The extra point run was successful, giving LRS an 8-0 lead.

It only took AMXS two plays to fire back at LRS. Quarterback Fred Draper threw a 30-yard strike to wide-open receiver Tory Triggs to close the gap.

The run attempt for the extra point failed, and LRS kept the lead, 8-6.

Both teams had one more possession before the half, but failed to score any points.

On the opening drive of the second half, AMXS drove the length of the field with most of the offensive output coming from running back



Airman 1st Class Dominic Kuiper / WT

(Above) **Melvin Bates Boone, AMXS running back, weaves through the LRS defense during the flag football game at the gym field Oct. 13.** (Below) **Bates Boone dives for LRS running back Marvin Poindexter's flag as he stretches out his arm for a first down. LRS squeaked out a 16-13 win over AMXS.**

Melvin Bates Boone, who plowed his way into the end zone.

The pass on the extra point attempt was completed, giving AMXS the lead, 13-8.

Valliere and the LRS offense took control of the ball near their own 20-yard line. After a complete pass by Valliere and a defense holding penalty, LRS had a first down just past midfield.

Two dropped passes by LRS receiver Corey Wilkins and a 10-yard run by Valliere set up a fourth down conversion attempt, which failed after Valliere's errant throw



was plucked out of the air by AMXS' defense.

On the ensuing AMXS drive, Bates Boone continued gashing the LRS defense with two 10-yard run plays. However, the passing game did not produce the same results after Draper threw the ball into coverage, and the LRS defense made him pay by snagging the interception.

The LRS offense had the ball once more, and two run plays later, LRS had a first down just past their own 20-yard line. After two botched plays, Valliere connected with

Wilkins for a completion between two defenders, and Wilkins broke away for a 60-yard touchdown.

The extra point run was converted, giving LRS a 16-13 lead and Wilkins a reprieve from his prior transgressions.

"A receiver has to have a short memory," Wilkins said. "If you drop a pass, you have to forget about it and keep playing. You can't dwell on that dropped pass, or you'll drop another one."

With under two minutes to play in the game, AMXS had one last effort to pull out the victory. Three straight incompletions forced a fourth-and-short situation, but AMXS was able to convert on the ground and call timeout with nine seconds left.

Draper bombed it down the field but it was incomplete. However, there was a late flag on the play against LRS for defensive pass interference which gave AMXS the ball dangerously close to the end zone.

Instead of handing the ball off to Bates Boone, AMXS abandoned what could have been a sure touchdown run for an incomplete pass in the back left corner of the end zone to end the ball game.

"Near the end of the game, we were trying to get a play in quickly, and in the rush, we went with a pass play instead of the run," Bates Boone said. "It was a case of miscommunication."

## Sidelines

### Hip 2B Phit

Youth programs offers ongoing fitness classes for ages 13 - 18 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 and 7 p.m. in the youth center gym. For more information, call 722-0502.

### Hakkoryu Jiu-Jitsu class

The fitness center hosts free Hakkoryu Jiu-Jitsu classes every Tuesday and Friday from 6:30 - 8 p.m. The adult-only class is limited to 12 students. For more information, call 722-0408.

### Little Tigers

The community center hosts Little Tigers martial arts classes Wednesdays from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 per month per child. Family discounts are also available. For more information, call 722-0339.

### Martial arts training available

Ho Kuk Mu Sul classes are available at the community center for ages 8 and up. Classes are available every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$35 per month. Family rates are available. For more information, call 722-0339.

### Spin to get thin

The fitness center offers stationary bike classes Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 5 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon and Saturdays at 9 a.m. The class is limited to 19 people and is offered on a first-come, first-serve basis. For more information, call 722-0408.

## Flag football standings

EMS 15-1  
LRS 12-5  
CMS-B 11-5  
AMXS 11-5

CES 7-8  
OSS 7-10  
CMS-C 7-10  
CS 6-10

CMS-A 3-14  
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Friday

Red Eye  
7 p.m. (PG-13)

The Cave  
9 p.m. (PG-13)

Saturday

The Man  
7 p.m. (PG-13)

Transporter 2  
9 p.m. (PG-13)

Sunday

Transporter 2  
7 p.m. (PG-13)

By 1st Lt. Devin Robinson  
Public Affairs

Red Eye



Although this film from director Wes Craven becomes painfully predictable towards the end, the attention to detail and the sophistication of the piece would have made Hitchcock proud in a post 9/11 world. No doubt this is but the first of many new airplane hijacking movies that will attempt to use 9/11 as a jumping point to give their films relevance. Still, a gripping thriller that's worth a peek.

The Cave



A bunch of spelunkers, that's cave explorers to the lay-person, travel to Romania to explore a recently discovered network of caves. They get trapped inside, and a monster starts picking them off one by one. Enough said.

The Man



A special agent goes vigilante in a search for his partner's killer and through a set of bizarre circumstances ends up in the company of a bumbling salesman with a knack for disaster. The movie is quite ridiculous but benefits from strong performances by leads Eugene Levy and Samuel L. Jackson.

Transporter 2



Perennial actioneer Jason Stratham is back in the second installment of the film that made a name for him in the martial arts genre. Stratham's character Frank Martin has fled from France to the United States where he has taken a job transporting a wealthy politician's son to and from school. When the child is kidnapped, he must rely on his British commando training to help rescue the child and bring the baddies to justice. To put it simply, this movie RULES!

DVD Spotlight

Kingdom of Heaven (R)



This movie is beautiful and has a visual depth viewers have come to expect from director Ridley Scott. His take on the crusades and the battles for Jerusalem are done with a style that is reminiscent of his previous masterpiece, Gladiator. Orlando Bloom revisits a role he played to perfection in Pirates of the Caribbean, as a poor fatherless blacksmith drawn into conflict way beyond his assumed ability. The reason this film is so appropriate is not because of its perfection. In truth, the film is quite shallow in the sense that Scott seems to be both praising the crusaders and damning them at the same time. This sort of duality is a prevailing theme in Hollywood right now as directors strive to highlight the strength and heroism of warriors while also condemning the conflicts they fought. The reason to see this movie is perspective. It provides a peek into a conflict that started thousands of years ago and still dominates the world stage today.

Movie Trivia

British lady killer Orlando Bloom has built for himself, in just a few years, a catalogue of films with plenty of fighting. Name three movies in which he fought with a sword and four movies where he fought with a bow and arrow.

Question and answer to last week's movie trivia:

Q: The 1984 film, The Karate Kid, was nominated for but did not win an Oscar. The movie featured the son of a famous actor. The famous father was also nominated for but never won an Oscar. Name the son and his famous father.

A: The father is Steve McQueen, and the son is Chad McQueen, who played a character named Dutch.

Winner: Airman 1st Class Robert Blackburn, 333rd Fighter Squadron

E-mail answers to wte.4fwpa@seymourjohnson.af.mil with "Trivia Answer" in the subject box

The first correct answer received after noon each Friday wins two passes to any movie at the base theater.\* Any submissions received before noon on Friday will not be considered.

\*Limit one win per person per quarter.

LOSS: 4th tragedy

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Ryan, daughter Kaylie, parents Michael and Elizabeth Blackwood, and her brother Air Force Staff Sgt. Tommy Blackwood.

Airman Cichon, a 22-year-old Texas native, died from injuries sustained in the same motorcycle accident.

He was assigned to the 4th EMS as a munitions storage team member responsible for the safe and effective receipt, shipping, storing and handling of various conventional munitions items employed by the F-15E Strike Eagle.

"He will be remembered as a humble, hard-working and dependable teammate whom his fellow Airmen could always count on," said Master Sgt. James Marfield, his NCO-

in-charge. "Whether he was fixing friends' computers or leading Bible studies in the desert, he was always available to listen and lend support. At work, we affectionately knew him as a well-rounded and quiet leader who left his mark on everyone."

After graduating from technical training in 2003, Airman Cichon was assigned to the 4th EMS. He deployed in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom last year.

Airman Cichon is survived by his mother and stepfather Karen Magsam and Jon Joffrey, his father and stepmother Mark Cichon and Jeannie Dye, his sisters Monica Magsam and Stephanie Cichon, and his brother Clayton Cichon.

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Local events

Inside the gate: information, call 722-1123.

Military Family Recognition Banquet

The Military Family Recognition Banquet is held Nov. 10 from 6-8 p.m. in the officers' club ballroom. Dress is formal civilian attire. The cost is \$15.50 for members and \$17.50 for nonmembers. Children are welcome, and a kids meal is available upon request. For more information, call 722-1123.

Outside the gate:

Living in the past

History interpreters participate in demonstrations showing the life of Battleship North Carolina crew members during World War II Oct. 22 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Visitors will be able to view these demonstrations throughout the day. For more information, call (910) 251-5797.

Make a difference

Wayne County Make a Difference Day is set for Saturday. The location for this year's project is Meadow Lane Elementary School. Volunteer activities include weeding flower beds, installing and assembling book cases and repairing benches and playground equipment and. For more

Battleship boogie

The battleship North Carolina hosts the battleship boogie Halloween party Oct. 31 from 7-11 p.m. A costume contest and a showing of the 1935 film "Bride of Frankenstein" highlight the night. For more information, call (910) 251-5797.

Center stage

Center Stage Theater presents the play "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow" Nov. 3-5 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 6 at 3 p.m. at Herman Park Center. Tickets are \$10 per person and sold at the door. For more information, call 736-3300.

Junior ROTC instructors needed

Air Force Junior ROTC has instructor opportunities for retired or soon-to-be retired officers and NCOs. There are currently 60 instructor positions open in high schools across the country. For more information, call (866) 235-7682, ext. 35275 or 35300.

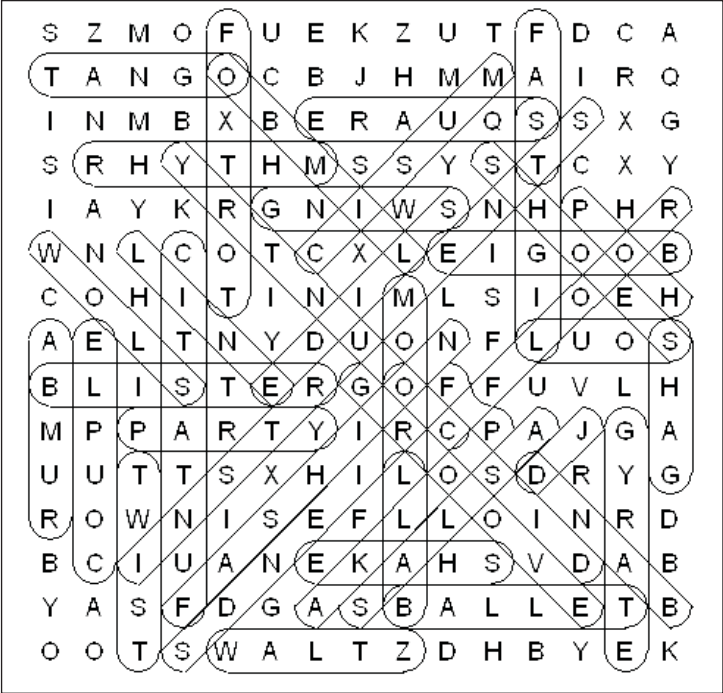
Violin lessons

The Arts Council of Wayne County offers violin lessons for adults and children. Classes are available Mondays and Wednesdays as half-hour sessions. For more information, call 736-3300.

Word search answers

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It's electric!



Giving more than blood



Airman Shane Dunaway / WT

Senior Airman Tammy Rivers-English, 4th Operations Support Squadron, hands a \$100 check to Chuck Waller, executive director for the Wayne County Chapter American Red Cross, Oct. 13. Members from the 4th OSS raised the money to aid Hurricane Katrina victims. So far, the Red Cross in Goldsboro has raised more than \$100,000. To donate, call 735-7201 or visit www.redcross.org.



Chapel schedule

Catholic

- Weekend Masses: Saturday - 5:30 p.m., Sunday - 9:30 a.m.
  - Weekday Masses: Weekdays - 11:30 a.m. to noon
  - Confessions: Saturday - 4:15 to 5:15 p.m., weekdays by request
  - The Catholic Women of the Chapel meets the first Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Annex
- For information, call 751-0140

Protestant Services

- Sunday services: 8 a.m. - Liturgical worship service 9:30 a.m. - Religious education, ages three through adult, meets in Bldg. 4403 10:45 a.m. - Extended religious education
- 11 a.m. - Traditional service 12:30 p.m. - Inspirational service
- The Protestant men meet at 9 a.m.

the first Saturday of every month

- The Protestant women meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of every month

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Jewish, Orthodox and Muslim

Call the chapel at 722-0315